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- 1B. 08 KUALA LUMPUR 1079 -- MALAYSIA ON AL-KIBAR
- ¶C. KUALA LUMPUR 496 -- IAEA REPORTS ON IRAN AND SYRIA
- ¶D. KUALA LUMPUR 744 -- IAEA REPORTS ON IRAN AND SYRIA

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(C) Polcouns and Poloff met with Shazryll Zahiran, Principal Assistant Secretary in the MFA's Disarmament and Non-Proliferation Section, on November 25 to discuss ref A points concerning Syria's lack of cooperation with the IAEA over its facility at Al-Kibar. (Note: Poloff previously passed reftel points to Shazryll on November 20. End Note.) Shazryll replied that neither he nor his government had a reaction to our points as yet, noting that the GOM was "only looking at Iran" at the moment. (Comment: Shazryll and other GOM interlocutors appear determined not to engage on the Al-Kibar issue, having refused to discuss it with us on previous occasions (refs B-D). End Comment.) KEITH